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For : HIGH-FIDELITY DNA SEQUENCING USING SOLID
PHASE CAPTURABLE DIDEXOYNUCLEOTIDES AND
MASS SPECTROMETRY

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In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (**Exhibit A**) and attached hereto as **Exhibits 1-5**:

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,046,005, issued April 4, 2000, Ju et al. (**Exhibit 1**);
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,316,230 issued November 13, 2001, Egholm et al. (**Exhibit 2**);
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,218,118, issued April 17, 2001, Sampson et al. (**Exhibit 3**);
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,174,962, issued December 29, 1992, Brennan

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(**Exhibit 4**); and

5. Arbo et al. Solid Phase Synthesis of Protected Peptides Using New Cobalt (III) Amine Linkers, *Int. J. Peptide Protein Res.* (1993) 42:138-154 (**Exhibit 5**).

References 1-5 were first cited in an International Search Report issued in connection with counterpart application PCT/US02/09752 (see **Exhibit 6**).

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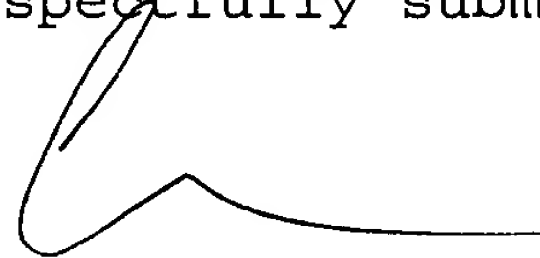
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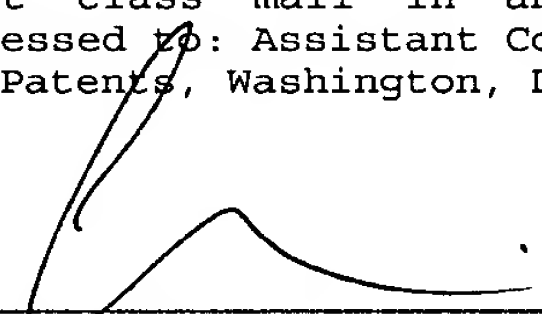
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